

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method for improving signal quality within a radio frequency (RF) receiver, said method comprising:

down-converting an image of a desired signal to a baseband signal;

determining an energy of said baseband signal;

in response to a determination that said energy of said baseband signal being equal to or greater than a predetermined threshold, swapping intermediate frequency (IF) for an incoming signal by changing an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver; and

in response to a determination that said energy of said baseband signal being less than said predetermined threshold, maintaining IF for an incoming signal.

2. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said method further includes continuing normal signal processing.

3. (currently amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said down-converting is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

and adjusting a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos \omega_{IF}t + j \sin \omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

4. (currently amended) The method of Claim 3, wherein said swapping IF is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

$$\text{where } e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

5. (currently amended) The method of Claim 4, wherein said maintaining IF is performed

by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

$$\text{where } e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

6. (currently amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said down-converting is performed

by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

and adjusting a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

$$\text{where } e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

7. (currently amended) The method of Claim 6, wherein said swapping IF is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

8. (currently amended) The method of Claim 7, wherein said maintaining IF is performed

by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

9. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said down-converting is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

adjusting a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

and

swapping signals paths of an in-phase IF signal and a quadrature IF signal.

10. (original) The method of Claim 9, wherein said swapping IF is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

maintaining signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

11. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said maintaining IF is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

swapping signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

12. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said down-converting is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

adjusting a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

and

swapping signals paths of an in-phase IF signal and a quadrature IF signal.

13. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein said swapping IF is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

maintaining signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

14. (original) The method of Claim 13, wherein said maintaining IF is performed by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

swapping signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

15. (currently amended) A radio frequency (RF) receiver comprising:

means for down-converting an image of a desired signal to a baseband signal;

means for determining an energy of said baseband signal;

means for swapping intermediate frequency (IF) for an incoming signal by changing an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver, in response to a determination that said energy of said baseband signal being equal to or greater than a predetermined threshold; and

means for maintaining IF for an incoming signal, in response to a determination that said energy of said baseband signal being less than said predetermined threshold.

16. (currently amended) The RF receiver of Claim 15, wherein said means for down-converting performs a down-conversion by  $f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

and adjusting a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

17. (currently amended) The RF receiver of Claim 16, wherein said means for swapping IF swaps IF by  $f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

18. (currently amended) The RF receiver of Claim 17, wherein said means for maintaining IF maintains IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

19. (currently amended) The RF receiver of Claim 15, wherein said means for down-converting performs a down-conversion by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

and adjusting a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

20. (currently amended) The RF receiver of Claim 19, wherein said means for swapping IF swaps IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

21. (currently amended) The RF receiver of Claim 20, wherein said means for maintaining IF maintains IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency  
 $f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency  
 $f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

22. (original) The RF receiver of Claim 15, wherein said means for down-converting performs a down-conversion by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver  
 $f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver  
 $f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

adjusts a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{-j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{-j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t - j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

and swaps signals paths of an in-phase IF signal and a quadrature IF signal.

23. (original) The RF receiver of Claim 22, wherein said means for swapping IF swaps IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and maintains signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

24. (original) The RF receiver of Claim 23, wherein said means for maintaining IF maintains IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and swaps signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

25. (original) The RF receiver of Claim 15, wherein said means for down-converting performs a down-conversion by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = an oscillation frequency of a local oscillator within said RF receiver

$f_{CH}$  = a channel frequency within said RF receiver

$f_{IF}$  = an IF signal frequency within said RF receiver

adjusts a digital complex sinusoid signal within an intermediate frequency local oscillator (IFLO) by

$$IFLO(t) = e^{+j\omega_{IF}t}$$

where  $e^{+j\omega_{IF}t} = \cos\omega_{IF}t + j\sin\omega_{IF}t$

$$\omega_{IF} = 2\pi f_{IF}$$

and swaps signals paths of an in-phase IF signal and a quadrature IF signal.

26. (original) The RF receiver of Claim 25, wherein said means for swapping IF swaps IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} - f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and maintains signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.

27. (original) The RF receiver of Claim 26, wherein said means for maintaining IF maintains IF by

$$f_{RFLO} = f_{CH} + f_{IF}$$

where  $f_{RFLO}$  = said local oscillation frequency

$f_{CH}$  = said channel frequency

$f_{IF}$  = said IF signal frequency

and swaps signals paths of said in-phase IF signal and said quadrature IF signal.